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OFFICIAL PAPER OF COCHISE COUNTY

Congress met last Monday and the House organized by electing John G. Carlisle, Speaker.

Gov. Zwick's report to the Secretary of the Interior, which is published in full in this issue, presents but a fair statement of the condition of our Territory. It is a document that will well repay a careful perusal.

If Mr. O. F. Thornton has stated that there is not enough water in the canals at Phenix, during the dry season, to irrigate the lands which have already been brought under cultivation, there are many people here who will believe him, as Mr. Thornton is known to be a thoroughly reliable and truthful gentleman.

Our exchanges must not think, because Tombstone took first premium on pumpkins at the Territorial fair, she has the big head. It was not that which caused the organization of the Cochise Fair Association—not at all. But our thrifty miners and cattle men will give the Salt River grangers a few points on agriculture one of these days, and will show them a few steppers besides.

The President has sent the following nominations to the Senate: L. Q. C. Lamar to be Associate Justice of the Supreme Court; Wm. F. Vilas, Secretary of the Interior; Don M. Dickenson, Postmaster General; Charles S. Fairchild, Secretary of the Treasury; George L. Revis, of New York, Assistant Secretary of State; Isaac H. Maynard, of New York, Assistant Secretary of the Treasury; Sigourney Butler, of Massachusetts, Second Comptroller of the Treasury; James W. Hyatt, of Connecticut, to be Treasurer of the United States.

The supreme court of the United States has just rendered a decision which will have a sweeping influence in this western country. It seems that the United States Circuit Court set aside the patents to the C. C. I. & Co., on the ground that the entries were myths. The Supreme Court reversed the judgment, contending that the proofs of the mythical character of the entries were purely negative, and only inferred from the fact that a number of witnesses testified to having lived in the county at the time the entries were made, and that they had never known of persons of the names of the entries, and that if such persons had lived on the land they would have known them. This was held to be no proof that the parties were myths. The court also held that though the entries may have been fraudulent, yet the patents being issued, and the land having been conveyed to a third party, the third party must be held to be an innocent purchaser unless the contrary be clearly proven. This decision, the Trinidad Advertiser thinks, is the most important to the people of the west that has ever been handed down from the supreme bench of the United States, as it finally and forever settles land titles, and will be the means of bringing millions of dollars for the development of the vast resources of the country.

MARK HAS SOME GOOD WORDS TO SAY ABOUT ARIZONA.

Our delegate in Congress, Hon. M. A. Smith, has been interviewed by a Globe-Democrat correspondent in relation to Arizona, its resources and aspirations. Mr. Smith says it will not be very long until his Territory will be in condition to ask for admission in the Union. "We have now a population of 100,000, and at the present rate of increase we will have the required number of inhabitants, I think, in a short time. For years Arizona has had a great floating population, and now it is rapidly filling up with settlers who have come to stay."

"What causes it? Why the recent realization that Arizona is going to be one of the finest States in the Union. No better grazing lands are to be found anywhere, and the cattle business of the Territory is fast assuming an importance that is astonishing the older regions. Then the mines of Arizona are rich and numerous, and its mineral wealth rivals that of the more famous mining States and Territories. Again, the fertility of Arizona soil is unsurpassed, and the rich valleys are being subjected to irrigation. Wherever irrigation is possible, farms are laid out and fields are brought under cultivation. Anything and everything that can be grown in the temperature of similitropical zones, can be produced in Arizona, and it promises to be one of the richest agricultural regions in the country."

"The most important question in which Arizona is interested is the development of the irrigation system. Where streams exist, irrigation is now practicable, but it is proposed to sink a number of artesian wells for the irrigation of the land away from the rivers. The earthquakes of last spring developed the fact that water exists in great quantities beneath the surface. In several places the earth was opened and the water forced itself upward and flowed in great volume for some days, until recurring shocks closed the crevices. From what depth the water is not known, but the incident

has suggested the practicability of artesian wells, and an effort will be made to obtain national aid. Indeed, I believe the artesian well experiment should be tried in many portions of the West and Southwest, and that it is the duty of Congress to conduct, or at least direct them."

In speaking of the probable political complexion of Arizona, Mr. Smith expressed the opinion that as a State it would be Democratic. "My predecessor was elected as a Republican," said he, "but my majority as a Democrat was greater than the majority by which he was elected. Of course a few years may change the politics of Arizona, but I believe it will be Democratic."

"What do you think about the admission of Dakota?" was asked. "Oh, well, I don't believe any action will be taken this winter regarding Dakota or any other Territory, which may apply for admission. Indeed, I think Arizona will get into the Union just as soon as Dakota. While no effort is being made in behalf of Arizona, the question may be agitated next year, and Dakota, Washington, Montana, Arizona and New Mexico admitted together. This, you see, will give the Democrats a balance of power, and in consequence there need be no opposition to the movement for statehood."

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF THE COCHISE FAIR ASSOCIATION.

Know all men by these presents, that we, H. A. Tweed, John Montgomery, W. B. Benson, Geo. G. Berry, F. L. Moore, J. Henry Campbell, A. J. Ritter, Frank Hare, W. W. Woodman, A. R. English, L. E. Page, V. C. Wilson, Chas. D. Reppy, J. Pascholy, Armand Tuquet, by these presents do voluntarily associate ourselves together for the purpose of forming a corporation, and we do hereby certify:

1st. That we are the incorporators thereof. That the name of the corporation is and shall be "The Cochise Fair Association," and its principal place of transacting business, at Tombstone, Arizona.

2d. The general nature of the business to be transacted is the purchasing, improving and conducting of a Fair Ground for the exhibition of the products of Cochise County, Arizona Territory.

3d. The amount of the capital stock authorized, is \$3000, and the whole of the same is to be paid in cash, within one year from the date of these presents.

4th. The corporation shall commence on this day and shall exist for twenty years.

5th. The affairs of the corporation shall be conducted by a Board of Directors consisting of five, and of which five, the president of this corporation is one, and said Board is to be elected annually, and a president, secretary and treasurer to be elected at the same time; and the officers for this year are: A. J. Ritter, president; J. S. Taylor, secretary; H. A. Tweed, treasurer; directors, A. J. Ritter, chairman; V. C. Wilson, J. H. Campbell, W. B. Benson and H. A. Tweed.

6th. The highest amount of indebtedness or liability to which this corporation is at any time to subject itself, is the sum of \$1000.

7th. That private property is exempt from corporate debts.

In witness whereof, we have hereto set our hands and seals, this 5th day of December, A. D. 1887.

H. A. TWEED, [SEAL]
JOHN MONTGOMERY, [SEAL]
W. B. BENSON, [SEAL]
GEO. G. BERRY, [SEAL]
F. L. MOORE, [SEAL]
J. H. CAMPBELL, [SEAL]
A. J. RITTER, [SEAL]
FRANK HARE, [SEAL]
W. W. WOODMAN, [SEAL]
ALLEN R. ENGLISH, [SEAL]
L. E. PAGE, [SEAL]
JOS. PASCHOLY, [SEAL]
ARMAND TUQUET, [SEAL]
V. C. WILSON, [SEAL]
CHAS. D. REPPY, [SEAL]

TERRITORY OF ARIZONA, } ss
COUNTY OF COCHISE.

Before me, J. S. Taylor, Notary Public in and for the said County, on this day personally appeared, Chas. D. Reppy, H. A. Tweed, John Montgomery, W. B. Benson, Geo. G. Berry, F. L. Moore, J. H. Campbell, A. J. Ritter, Frank Hare, W. W. Woodman, Allen R. English, L. E. Page, V. C. Wilson, Jos. Pascholy, Armand Tuquet, known to me to be the persons whose names are subscribed to the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged to me that they executed the same for the purpose and consideration expressed.

Given under my hand and the seal of office, this 7th day of December, A. D. 1887.
J. S. TAYLOR, [SEAL]
Notary Public.

By order of General Miles a court-martial was convened at Fort Bowie last Monday for the trial of such prisoners as may be brought before it. Following is the detail for the court: Major Eugene B. Beaumont, 4th cavalry; Capt. Alfred Morton, 9th infantry; Capt. Wm. A. Thompson, 4th cavalry; Capt. Orho W. Budd, 4th cavalry; 1st Lieut. Wm. D. Wilder, 4th cavalry; 1st Lieut. Wm. D. Grady, assistant surgeon; 2d Lieut. John M. Neall, 4th cavalry; 2d Lieut. Leitch Hardeman, 4th cavalry; 2d Lieut. Frank H. Albright, 4th cavalry; 1st Lieut. Hugh J. McGrath, 4th cavalry, judge advocate.

4-Paw & Samwell's Monster Railroad Shows, which perform at Fairbank next Tuesday, the 13th, will bring joy alike to the juvenile heart and to the sire that has

not reached the "sere and yellow leaf" of life. The constituency of the circus includes a more comprehensive range of people than any king, emperor or president can count as his subjects. For more than two thousand years the circus, with its glamor of romance, has held undisputed sway in the realm of amusements. Other forms of entertainment have risen, thrived for a time, and then passed away, but the charms of the sawdust arena have never lost their potency from Caesar's day down to the present. At no time during a managerial career has there been so much that was new. Both Europe and America have contributed their most expert bareback riders, acrobats, aerial marvels, vaulters, clowns, jugglers, boxers, wrestlers, fencers and phenomenal artists of all kinds, so that the show in its present form is a wide and complete departure from the conventional circus. The most important and recent acquisitions are a real Roman hippodrome and a "Wild West" exhibition.

At 2 o'clock p. m. Monday, Dec. 12th, at the Presbyterian church, will be held the annual meeting of the Ladies' Society. It is earnestly desired that each member shall be present, and a very urgent invitation is given to all persons interested in the success of the church, to be present also.

The EPITAPH regrets to learn that Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Macneil will soon take their departure for Los Angeles, which city they will make their future home.

Miss Bertha Herring, daughter of our esteemed townsman, Col. Wm. Herring, has accepted the position of teacher of the public school at Tres Alamos, and left for the scene of her duties on Wednesday last.

Mr. Clarence Wolcott, of Michigan, has been visiting his brother, Mr. Frank N. Wolcott, this week. He left for home yesterday.

A. J. Godfrey, Kirt Hart and George Redstreak, left Thursday for the West Huachuca, on a hunting expedition. They expect to be gone a week or ten days.

In the case of recent accouchement in this city, where the surgeon of Fort Huachuca was sent for, it is explained that the instrument required was only to be had of an army surgeon, and is not used once in a lifetime. Our local physicians are fully equal to any ordinary emergency.

ANOTHER CHEAP EXCURSION.

On Tuesday, December 13th, I will carry passengers from Tombstone to Fairbank and return, to 4-Paw's circus, for \$2.00 the round trip, including a ticket into the circus. Tickets will be placed on sale at the stage office on Friday afternoon, December 9th. Stages will leave the stage office at 9:15 a. m. and at 2:30 p. m.

BOB DARRAGH.

SKATING RINK OPEN.

The skating rink will be open this (Saturday) afternoon and evening, and will be opened every evening during the winter season.
BARON BROS.

Dr. Brown, of Fort Huachuca, will sell furniture, consisting of bed room sets, crib, chiffonier, rocking chairs, dining table, sideboard, center table, Domestic sewing machine and a very fine toned Mason & Hamlin Cabinet organ. 3t

To the Public.

Having purchased the entire interest of Jos. Pascholy in the undertaking business in this city, I will hereafter devote my especial attention to said business. Embalming and the preparing of bodies for removal a specialty. Orders filled in any part of the county.
A. J. RITTER.

New Store.

Paul Bahn is offering to the people of Tombstone and the county in general, some of the best bargains in groceries and liquors ever offered in this county. His stock is new fresh and desirable canned goods, wines, candles, in fact every thing sold in a first class grocery store is being sold by him at Fairbank prices. tf.

INDIAN DEPREDACTIONS.

All persons who have claims against the Government for losses sustained through Indian depredations in Arizona and New Mexico, will find it to their interest to communicate immediately with the undersigned in regard to the same, if they desire to take advantage of the laws recently passed by Congress to reimburse all parties who have suffered such losses.

WM. O. O'NEILL,
Attorney at Law,
Prescott, Arizona.

F. N. Wolcott's Cash Store is now ready for business at the new location in the Otis building, on Fremont street, near the Postoffice. The choicest and freshest groceries at the lowest cash prices.

LETTER LIST.

The following letters remain uncalled for in the post-office at Tombstone, Arizona, for the week ending December 10, 1887:

Bella, Miss May McKenzie, Norman Brown, J. W. Park, J. G. Price, R. M. Donovan, T. Robinson, P. East, Wm. W. A. Rowe, Geo. Savage, W. H. Smith, Nellie Mitchell, A. J. John Vivian.

SPANISH.

Ylario, Estrado Polonia, Flores de Martinez

Any person calling for any of the above letters will please say "advertised" and give the date.

C. S. CLARK,
Postmaster.

4-PAW'S
Monster United Railroad Circus

Museum and Menagerie

And Elevated Stage, re-enforced with

Samwell's Trained Animal Paradox,

Will Exhibit at

FAIRBANKS, TUESDAY, OCTOBER 13th.

JUST ADDED!

Greatness Overtopping Greatness!

New Features Piled Upon Features!

More Circus Acts than You ever Saw!

A Bigger Circus than You ever Saw!

Better Circus Acts than You ever Saw.

MLLE. ZOLA, the Queen.

LEON, the Clown, the Wit and Humorist, the funniest fool in the arena, introducing more pleasantries than you can stand—original, unique, pleasing, accomplished—with ten others. THE FISHER BROTHERS, Monarchs of the Upper Air, the greatest Aerial Artists ever seen, performing more hazardous feats than any other artists living—perfectly astounding, wonderful, intrepid, astonishingly perfect in their mid-air flights—known as the World's Champions. See EMERSON, the largest performing Elephant in the World, valued at \$10,000. Every act and feature advertised takes place in one ring and elevated stage. Look out for the monster street pageant at 11 a. m. Two performances. Doors open at 1 and 6. Performance one hour later.

FAIRBANKS, Tuesday, December 13th; also at NOGALES, December 15th and 16th.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

GRAND
Holiday Entertainment
Under the Auspices
Cochise Fair Association
December 24th and 25th.

PROGRAMME FOR
Saturday, Dec. 24

1 O'CLOCK—TOURNAMENT.
First Prize, to the Knight taking the greatest number of rings—Saddle valued at \$50.
Second Prize, to the Knight taking the second greatest number of rings—Bridle valued at \$15.
In addition to the above, three crowns will be awarded to the three successful Knights, who will crown a Queen and two Maids of Honor, selected from the handsomest ladies on the grounds.

2:30 P. M.
Slow Race, distance one-half mile. Prize \$25. Neither whip nor spur to be used. Last horse to take the prize.
3 P. M.
Turkey shooting. Distance 100 yards. Only ordinary gun sights will be allowed.

Christmas Day.
1 o'clock—Match game of base ball. Purse \$75.

RACES.
2 o'clock—One-half mile dash. Five to enter and three to start. Purse \$50.
3 o'clock—One-half mile dash. Free for all excepting horses entered in first race. Purse \$30. A Burro race for boys each day for a purse of \$5.

Races will be run under the rules governing the Sacramento Fair Association. Seats will be provided for ladies and their escorts. Entries must be made by 12 o'clock, on the day of race, to the secretary.
Entrance to grounds, 50 cents.
J. S. TAYLOR, Secy. A. J. RITTER, Pres.

FURNITURE
New Store!
New Goods!

My new building is now completed and contains a large and well selected stock of Furniture, which I am now selling cheaper than the same goods were ever before offered in Tombstone.

Second-hand Furniture bought and sold. One price to all. Call and see me before purchasing elsewhere.

Geo. E. Kohler,

Allen Street, between Fifth and Sixth.

BARROW'S
Auction House.

New Goods Received
Daily.

I buy for Cash and sell for Cash, and am thereby enabled to take advantage of the markets and give my customers the same advantage.

My stock, which is well selected consists in part of Furniture, Carpets, Hats, Caps, Boots and Shoes, Crockery, Glassware, Tinware, Harness, Tents, Wagon Covers, Wall Paper, Guns and Ammunition.

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MEAT MARKET

Fourth Street, Between
Allen and Fremont.

All kinds of First-class Meats a
the Following

Reduced Prices:
BEEF—By the side or quarter 5
cents per pound.

VEAL—5 cents per pound.

MUTTON—By the carcass 8 cents
per pound.

PORK—By the side 10 cents per
pound.

Meats Retained over the Block
at Reduced Rates.

I do my own killing, and raise and fatten my own cattle, sheep and hogs, and in consequence can furnish Meats Cheaper and better than any other market in the city.

A. BAUER, Proprietor.

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BIGGEST BARGAINS

IN DRY GOODS, ETC.,

To be Had Only at

PALACE DRY GOODS STORE.

FIFTH ST., BET. FREMONT AND ALLEN.

JOSEPH HOEFLER,

DEALER IN

General Merchandise

TENTS, WAGON COVERS,

MINING SUPPLIES, ETC.

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Cutlery, Stationery and

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St. Louis Lager Beer, English Ale and

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All brands of Fine Liquors

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Imported Cigars.

The best BILLIARD HALL in the city in
connection with the saloon.

ST. LOUIS BEER ON DRAUGHT.

GRAND BALL

OF

Rescue Hose Co., No. 1

TO BE HELD AT

SCHIEFFELIN HALL

on the Evening of

December 29th, 1887.

Committee of Arrangements—G. S. Bradshaw,
J. H. Campbell, Frank Ryan, A. J. Ritter, J. J.
Nash.

Reception Committee—C. N. Thomas, C. D.
Reppy, S. C. Bagg, L. W. Blinn, J. V. Vickers,
B. Hattich, John Montz, Joseph Lippert, Chas.
Melgren, A. H. Stebbins, H. A. Tweed, W. D.
Shearer, T. A. Atchison, Chas. Tribolet.

Floor Committee—Manager, J. I. Nash; C.
N. Thomas, G. S. Bradshaw, Geo. Myers, W.
Bell.

Members of Engine Co., No. 1, are cordially
invited to attend in uniform.

All members of Rescue Hose Co., No. 1, will
attend in uniform.

Tickets, admitting gentleman and Ladies, 50c.